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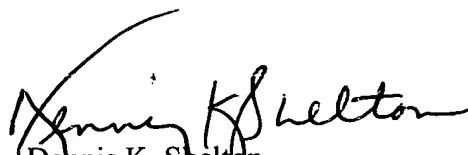
In response to the Examiner's action mailed December 19, 2001, applicants hereby elect the signalling domain species thrombopoietin receptor (or at least the cytoplasmic portion thereof) for initial search and examination in the above application.

Claims 1-79 and 81-88 read on the elected species.

Entry of the foregoing election and prompt favorable action is requested. The Examiner is encouraged to contact the applicants' representative at the number set forth below to resolve any issues that may facilitate prosecution of this application.

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